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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT) DATED JULY 26, 2007

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 26, 2007, for which the shortened one-month date for response is August 26, 2007. This response is being filed on or before the due date, therefore, it is believed to be timely filed.

If an extension of time is required to enable this paper to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this paper is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2069.008400.

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 5-15 and 20-23, i.e., the Group II claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (713) 934-4064 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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